



REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL

		Attorney Docket No.	1359.1020	
		Application Number	09/457,267	
		Filing Date	December 9, 1999	
		First Named Inventor	Naomi IWAYAMA	
		Group Art Unit	2176	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	0.00	Examiner Name	Charles A. Bieneman	

FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 01/01/03)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	6	- 20 =	0	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3	- 3 =	0	X \$ 84.00 =	0.00
Since an Official Action set an original due date of June 10, 2003, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$410); 3 months (\$930); 4 months (\$1,450); 5 months (\$1,970));					
If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$320.00)					
If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00)					
Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)					
Total of above Calculations =					
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)					
TOTAL FEES DUE =					

- (1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0".
- (2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20".
- (4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0".
- (5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3".

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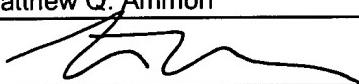
METHOD OF PAYMENT

<input type="checkbox"/> Check enclosed as payment.	Technology Center 2100
<input type="checkbox"/> Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No payment is enclosed and no charges to the Deposit Account are authorized at this time (unless specifically required to obtain a filing date).	

GENERAL AUTHORIZATION

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to:	
Deposit Account No.	19-3935
Deposit Account Name	STAAS & HALSEY LLP
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.	

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of:

Naomi IWAYAMA

Serial No. 09/457,267

Group Art Unit: 2176

Confirmation No. 7493

Filed: December 9, 1999

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For: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR ENTERING A CHARACTER STRING

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on March 10, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on June 10, 2003.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please CANCEL claims 3, 4, and 6 and AMEND claims 1, 2, 5, and 7-9 in accordance with the following:

1. (ONCE AMENDED) A device for entering a character string comprising:
 - an input part for entering a character string;
 - an input situation acquiring part for acquiring a situation for entering a character string;
 - a situation control part for affirming a dictionary used for generating a candidate character string or a part of such a dictionary in accordance with a situation acquired with the input situation acquiring part and designating it as a situation-optimized dictionary;
 - a candidate character string generation part for generating and outputting an output candidate character string that is optimal for the situation in response to a character string that is entered with the input part, using the situation-optimized dictionary designated by the situation